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Interviews: 508 adults
Dates: September 21,

49 Male
51 Female
[10]

FINAL

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508 interviews is ± 4.5*

Study #5080n
NBC Clinton Videotapes
September 1998

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- 1a. Have you seen any part of President Clinton's videotaped testimony to the federal Grand Jury investigating his relationship with Monica Lewinsky? (IF "YES," ASK:) Have you seen most of the video or only a little of the video? (IF "NO," ASK:) Have you seen or read any news accounts of the testimony?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|--|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Yes, have seen most of the video..... | 28 | 40 | [137] |
| Yes, have seen a little of the video..... | 42 | 60 | |
| No, have not seen the video/have seen or heard news accounts..... | 19 | - | |
| No, have not seen the video/have not seen or read news accounts..... | 11 | - | |
| Not sure..... | - | - | |

- 1b. Do you think that the release of the video of President Clinton's Grand Jury testimony helped him, hurt him, or had no effect either way?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Helped him..... | 16 | 20 | [138] |
| Hurt him..... | 42 | 39 | |
| Had no effect either way..... | 29 | 33 | |
| Not sure..... | 13 | 8 | |

2. Based on what you have seen or heard of the President's Grand Jury testimony, do you believe that President Clinton told the whole truth in his Grand Jury testimony?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|---|---------------|--------------|------------|
| Yes, believe that the President told the whole truth..... | 26 | 28 | [139]] |
| No, do not believe that the President told the whole truth. . | 60 | 65 | |
| Not sure..... | 14 | 7 | |

3. Do you think that President Clinton has the ability to continue leading the country, or do you believe that he has lost his ability to lead the country?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|--|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Has the ability to continue leading the country..... | 65 | 62 | [140] |
| Has lost his ability to lead the country | 32 | 35 | |
| Depends (VOL)..... | 1 | 1 | |
| Not sure..... | 2 | 2 | |

- 4a. Given the things that you've heard and seen about Bill Clinton over the past few weeks regarding the Monica Lewinsky situation, what do you think is the best course of action for Congress to follow -- (a) begin the impeachment process now, (b) pass a resolution of censure, which is a formal reprimand, or (c) drop the matter without any further action?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------|
| A/begin the impeachment process now..... | 27 | 29 | [141] |
| B/pass a resolution of censure..... | 30 | 31 | |
| C/drop the matter without any further action. . | 39 | 36 | |
| Not sure..... | 4 | 4 | |

- 4b. Do you think that President Clinton should or should not resign from office?

| | 9/21/98 | | All Adults | | |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---------|-------|
| | All Adults | Saw Video | 9/10- 13/98 | 8/20/98 | |
| Should resign..... | 36 | 40 | 34 | 28 | [142] |
| Should not resign..... | 60 | 57 | 61 | 65 | |
| Depends (VOL)..... | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| Not sure..... | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | |

5. Do you feel that the Republicans in Congress released all of the information in the Monica Lewinsky matter because they believe that the public has the right to know all the facts, or do you think that they released all of the information for partisan political reasons?

| | All Adults | Saw Video | |
|--|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Released information because they believe that the public has the right to know all the facts..... | 23 | 27 | [143] |
| Released the information for partisan political reasons. | 70 | 65 | |
| Not sure..... | 7 | 8 | |

FACTUALS: Now I have a few more questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. How old are you? (IF REFUSED, ASK:) Well, can you tell me which age group you belong to? Are you in the age group: 18 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, or 65 and over?

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|------------|----|-----------|
| 18-24..... | 10 | [144-145] |
| 25-29..... | 10 | |
| 30-34..... | 8 | |
| 35-39..... | 12 | |
| 40-44..... | 10 | |
| 45-49..... | 9 | |
| 50-54..... | 11 | |
| 55-59..... | 6 | |
| 60-64..... | 7 | |

| | |
|------------------|----|
| 65 and over..... | 16 |
| Refused..... | 1 |

- F2. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)?

(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----|-------|
| Strong Democrat..... | 15 | [146] |
| Not very strong Democrat..... | 15 | |
| Independent/lean Democrat..... | 10 | |
| Strictly independent..... | 22 | |
| Independent/lean Republican..... | 7 | |
| Not very strong Republican..... | 11 | |
| Strong Republican..... | 13 | |
| Other..... | 4 | |
| Not sure/nothing..... | 3 | |

- F3. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than \$20,000, between \$20,000 and \$30,000, between \$30,000 and \$50,000, between \$50,000 and \$75,000, or would the total be more than that?

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----|-------|
| Less than \$20,000..... | 9 | [147] |
| Between \$20,000 and \$30,000..... | 13 | |
| Between \$30,000 and \$50,000..... | 27 | |
| Between \$50,000 and \$75,000..... | 19 | |
| More than \$75,000..... | 21 | |
| Not sure/refused..... | 11 | |

- F4. Finally, are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? (IF "NO," ASK:) What is your race -- white, black, Asian, or something else?

| | | |
|-----------------------|----|-------|
| Hispanic..... | 7 | [148] |
| White..... | 77 | |
| Black..... | 10 | |
| Asian..... | 3 | |
| Other..... | 2 | |
| Not sure/refused..... | 1 | |